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The Particulars of the Defeat of the Detachment of Imperial Horſe which General Viſconti *was leading to* Piemont, *as related by the* French, *and which have not yet been given in any of our* News Papers, *is as follows.*

From the Paris Grzette, dated Nov. 10. *which came in the laſt* Mails *from* Holland.

From the Camp at Serravalle, Oct. 17.

THE Duke of Vendome having Advice, that 3000 German Horſe detach'd from their Camp on the Secchia, were marching towards the Plaiſantin, judg'd they could have no other Deſign than to get into Piemont; wherefore he order'd the Militia of the Milaneze and of the Montferrat to poſt themſelves in the Mountains and Paſſages, and commanded the Marqueſs de Bouligneux to go with 6 Battallions to Acqui on the Bormia; at the ſame time the Marqueſs de Dreux was order'd to march to Serravalle on the Scrivia with 14 Companies of Grenadiers and 700 Horſe; The Duke himſelf tarried at Alexandria with 500 Spaniſh Horſe, 4 Companies of Grenadiers, and the Regiment of Iriſh of Dillon, that he might be ready to move as he ſhould be inform'd of the March of the Enemy. Afterwards judging the Enemy would not ſhew themſelves in the Plain, but that they would take their way towards the Head of the Rivers Scrivia and Bormia, he order'd the Troops he had with him to follow him, and went to Serravalle where he arriv'd on the 25th. He had Intelligence the ſame day that the Enemy paſs'd on the 23d through the Valley of Tidone, that on the 24th they encamp'd at Vartzo in the Paveſan, and that on the ſaid 25th they were come to San Sebaſtiano not far from the Head of the Staffora; immediately he gave order to the Marqueſs de Dreux to march with 14 Companies of Grenadiers to the Caſtle of Derni, ſituate on a Hill on which the Militia of the Milaneze had before taken Poſt, and which commanded the Valley wherein San Sebaſtiano lies. After the Troops that follow'd the Duke of Vendome from Alexandria were arriv'd, and had refreſh'd themſelves, he march'd with them to Derni, 4 long Leagues from Serravalle, where he arriv'd on the 26th at Day-break. Immediately he perceiv'd the Enemy coming, and reſolv'd to give them no time but to attack them, accordingly he put himſelf at the Head of the Grenadiers, and having order'd the Grand Prior of France his Brother to cauſe the Cavalry to advance with all Diligence, he march'd down into the Valley by a Defile which was long and made ſlippery by Rain that had fallen. Near the Village of San Sebaſtiano he found 3 Squadrons of the Enemy, which brought up their Rear while the reſt march'd along a Rivulet call'd Cairone. The Enemy were put into a little Diſorder by the firſt Charge. 50 of the King's Huſſars who firſt got out of the Defile, fell in among thoſe 3 Squadrons, one of which fled away towards San Sebaſtiano, and another entire Squadron was made Priſoners. The Grand Prior of France and the Duke d'Aguilar with ſome Spaniſh Squadrons maintain'd this Charge, while the main of the Enemies Detachment got to a neighbouring Hill. leaving a Defile behind them with ſome of their Troops to guard it, but the Marqueſs de Chemerault with a Party of our Horſe got up the ſide of that Hill, charg'd the Enemy in the Flank, and made them abandon the Defile. The Enemy retir'd to another Hill and there made a ſtand, but being driven from thence, and our Carabineers on foot doing great execution upon them, moſt of them quitted their Horſes to make their Eſcapes, and the reſt fled away among the Mountains by 2 or 3 different ways. The greateſt Number of them took their way towards the Caſtle of Rochetta towards the Scrivia, our Horſe follow'd them ſo far, but having been upon the March for 20 Hours together, could not purſue them any further. It appearing probable that the Enemy would continue their March towards Piemont, the Duke of Vendome gave Advice of it with all diligence to the Marqueſs de Bouligneux, who with his 6 Battallions immediately ſecur'd all the Paſſages from Acqui quite down to Savone. But to day the Duke of Vendome receiv'd Intelligence, that they are marching back again to return to the Secchia.

Deale, Dec. 1. The Queen's Ships and outward bound laſt mention'd are ſtill here; 7 of the Veſſels driven hence on Friday Night laſt, are, we hear, got ſafe into Ramſgate Peer, but their Names I cannot tell. Yeſterday in the Afternoon came in hither 2 Merchant Ships from Virginia, and 1 from Penſilvania.

London, Dec. 2. There is no certain News yet of Sir Cloudſly Shovel; But a Perſon who came to Town to day, reports, That he ſaw Sir Cloudſly on Sunday and 3 other Ships with him riding at Anchor at the Long Sand Head;

Head; that the Masts of Sir Cloudsly's own Ship were cut, but that the other 3 had theirs standing. What Truth there is in this Man's Report, Time will shew.

The Light House on the Edistone off Plymouth was wash'd away in the late Storm, and 'tis credibly reported that Mr. Winstanley the Builder of it happen'd at that time to be in it.

London, Dec. 3. *On* Monday *last the Gentlemen of the Grand Inquest for* Middlesex, *made this following Presentment to the Right Honourable the Lord Chief Justice* Holt, *and the rest of the Honourable Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench.*

We the Grand Inquest for this County, taking into our Serious Consideration Her Majesty's Proclamation for the Encouragement of Piety and Vertue, and for the Preventing and Punishing of Vice, Prophaneness and Immorality, and the Excellent Charge given to us by this Honourable Court. Thereupon think it our Duty as well in Obedience to Her Majesty's said Proclamation, as in the Discharge of our Oaths, to present to this Honourable Court, that at a certain Fair call'd *May Fair*, annually holden the First of *May* at a Place call'd *Great Brookfield* in the Parish of St. *Martin's* in the Fields in the Liberty of *Westminster* in this County, divers Lewd and Disorderly Persons do come and resort to the said Fair, and there do erect Booths and Places for the Acting of Plays, Interludes and Drolls; And likewise keep Houses and Places of Lewdness, Gaming, Inordinate Tippling, and other Immoral and Disorderly Practices, which tend so much to the Dishonour of God and of our Church and Nation, and the great Corrupting of the Minds and Manners of many of the Youth and other Her Majesty's Subjects, and which has often occasion'd Riots, Routs, Bloodshed, and other Breaches of Her Majesty's Peace, to the great Terrour and Prejudice of Her Majesty's Subjects, and whereby Murders have ensued, as in the particular cases of *Fuller* and *John Cooper* late one of the Petty Constables of St. *James's* Parish in the Liberty of *Westminster*, who was there Barbarously Murder'd by divers Soldiers and others when in the Quiet and Peaceable Execution of his Office in keeping Her Majesty's Peace and suppressing the publick Disorders there in Obedience to Her Majesty's said Proclamation; And likewise by the great Concourse of the Loose and Disorderly Persons which do commonly resort to the said Fair, the Constables and other Officers are deterr'd and hinder'd in doing their Duty in keeping Her Majesty's Peace in the said Fair, by reason of the many Assaults they have had when there, by the said Persons, as in the case already mention'd, and at divers other times. We therefore do Present, That the keeping the said Fair, and maintaining all such Booths, Houses and Places, *&c.* to be what greatly tends to the Encouragement of all manner of Vice and Debauchery, to the High Dishonour of Almighty God, the Contempt of Her Majesty and the Laws of this Land, and to the great Detriment of the Publick Peace and Welfare. Humbly Praying that this Honourable Court would take such Effectual Means to suppress the same, as in their Great Wisdom and Justice shall seem meet.

AT the Theatre Royal in *Drury-Lane*, this present *Friday* being the 3d of *December*, will be presented a new Comedy never Acted but once, call'd, *The Lying Lover*, or, *The Lady's Friendship.*

THE Annual Feast for the Gentlemen educated at Merchant Tayler's School, was held at Draper's-Hall on Tuesday last to the full Satisfaction of all Gentlemen then present, who very liberally contributed to the Charity for which the Feast was first design'd, and Eight very worthy Gentlemen were then chosen for the carrying on the same for the Year ensuing.

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